

Remarks

Claim 14 would be allowed if rewritten in independent form including all limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims, in response, the Applicants have amended claim 1 to include all limitations originally found in claim 14. Therefore, claim 1 is allowable over the prior art of record.

Regarding claims 2-5, 8-13, and 15-22, because these claims depend from allowable claim 1, claims 2-5, 8-13, and 15-22 are allowable over the prior art of record.

Regarding newly-added claim 39, this claim contains all the limitations originally found in claim 3. Because claim 3 would be allowed if rewritten in independent form including all limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims, claim 39 is in proper condition for allowance.

No amendment made was related to the statutory requirements of patentability unless expressly stated herein; and no amendment made was for the purpose of narrowing the scope of any claim, unless Applicant has argued herein that such amendment was made to distinguish over a particular reference or combination of references. As the Applicant has overcome all substantive rejections given by the Examiner the Applicant contends that this Amendment, with the above discussion, overcomes the Examiner's rejections to the pending claims. Therefore, the Applicant respectfully requests allowance of the application. If the Examiner is of the opinion that any issues regarding the status of the claims remain after this response, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned representative to expedite resolution of the matter. Finally, please charge any fees (including extension of time fees) or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 502117.

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